

CURRICULUM AND SUBJECT SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

September 2025

All students who apply to join John Colet Sixth Form studying A Levels and BTECs must achieve a minimum of 5 GCSE grades 9 - 5 (or equivalent) in separate subjects AND must meet the grade entry requirements for each of their chosen subjects. Students must hold a minimum grade 4 in GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths.

GCSE Grade System

GCSE Grade	Points Equivalent
9	9
8	8
7	7
6	6
5 Strong Pass	5
4 Standard Pass	4
3	3
2	2
1	1

All students entering the John Colet School Sixth Form students must select three subjects to study from Year 12 throughout their time in Sixth Form until the end of Year 13. Three Level 3 courses are standard for university entrance.

PLEASE NOTE that some courses may not run if there are insufficient student numbers

SUBJECT	QUALIFICATION	SUBJECT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
ART	A LEVEL	GCSE Art or Photography Grade 5
BIOLOGY	A LEVEL	Triple science: GCSE Biology Grade 6 and GCSE 6 and a GCSE 5 in the other two disciplines OR Combined science: GCSE 6 6 GCSE Mathematics Grade 5 GCSE English Grade 5
BUSINESS	A LEVEL	GCSE Business Studies Grade 5 GCSE Mathematics Grade 5 GCSE English Grade 5
CHEMISTRY	A LEVEL	Triple science GCSE Grade 6 in Chemistry and GCSE 6 and a GCSE 5 in the other two disciplines OR Combined science GCSE 6 6 GCSE Mathematics Grade 5 GCSE English Grade 5
COMPUTER SCIENCE	A LEVEL	GCSE Computer Science Grade 5 and/or Information Technologies Merit 2 GCSE Mathematics Grade 5
DRAMA	A LEVEL	If GCSE Drama was studied, a Grade 5 is required. GCSE English Grade 5
ENGLISH LITERATURE	A LEVEL	GCSE English Literature Grade 5 GCSE English Language Grade 5
FINANCIAL STUDIES	A LEVEL EQUIVALENT	GCSE Mathematics Grade 5
FURTHER MATHS	A LEVEL	GCSE Mathematics Grade 7 Students must also study A Level Mathematics
GEOGRAPHY	A LEVEL	GCSE Geography Grade 5
HISTORY	A LEVEL	GCSE History Grade 5 is required GCSE English Grade 5
MATHEMATICS	A LEVEL	GCSE Mathematics Grade 6
MEDIA STUDIES	A LEVEL	GCSE English Literature Grade 5 GCSE English Language Grade 5
PHOTOGRAPHY	A LEVEL	GCSE Art or Photography Grade 5
POLITICS	A LEVEL	GCSE English Grade 5
SPORT	BTEC	GCSE Science Grade 5-4 GCSE English Grade 5
PHYSICS	A LEVEL	Triple science: GCSE Grade 6 in Physics and GCSE 6 and GCSE 5 in the other two disciplines OR Combined science: GCSE 66 GCSE Mathematics Grade 5 GCSE English Grade 5
PRODUCT DESIGN	A LEVEL	GCSE Design and Technology OR GCSE Art - Grade 5 GCSE English - Grade 5 GCSE Maths - Grade 5
PSYCHOLOGY	A LEVEL	GCSE Science Grade 55 GCSE English Grade 5 GCSE Mathematics Grade 5
SOCIOLOGY	A LEVEL	GCSE English Grade 5